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"Lost Horse Quarry Comment Period Extended, Darby Ranger District"

Hamilton, Montana, July, 2, 2007— The Forest Service is extending the comment period for the Lost Horse Quarry proposal to July 31, 2007. The Bitterroot National Forest received a request from the Ravalli County Road and Bridge Department to use the Lost Horse Quarry on the Darby Ranger District for a period of 10 years. The area from which they wish to remove rock and excavate material is an existing quarry in the W1/2 Sec.18, T4N, R21W, approximately 4.5 miles up Lost Horse Road and 1000 ft. north on Forest Road #62969. Ravalli County would use materials from the Lost Horse Quarry to maintain Road #429 as well as other county roads.

Written, facsimile, hand-delivered, oral, and electronic comments will be accepted until July 31, 2007. Written comments must be submitted to Chuck Oliver, District Ranger at Darby, P.O. Box 388, Darby, MT 59839. For more information, contact Elizabeth Ballard at 406-777-7421.

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